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Preliminary Articles of PEACE, between His *Britannick* Majesty, the Most *Christian* King, and the *Catholick* King. Signed at *Fontainebleau*, the 3d Day of *November*, 1762.

IN THE NAME OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY.

THE King of *Great Britain*, and the Most *Christian* King, animated with the reciprocal Desire to re-establish Union and good Understanding between Them, as well for the Good of Mankind in general, as for that of Their respective Kingdoms, States, and Subjects, having reflected, soon after the Rupture between *Great Britain* and *Spain*, on the State of the Negotiation of last Year, (which unhappily had not the desired Effect,) as well as on the Points in Dispute between the Crowns of *Great Britain* and *Spain*; Their *Britannick* and Most *Christian* Majesties began a Correspondence to endeavour to find Means to adjust the Differences subsisting between Their said Majesties. At the same Time, the Most *Christian* King having communicated to the King of *Spain* these happy Dispositions, His *Catholick* Majesty was animated with the same Zeal for the Good of Mankind, and That of His Subjects, and resolved to extend and multiply the Fruits of Peace by His Concurrence in such laudable Intentions. Their *Britannick*, Most *Christian*, and *Catholick* Majesties, having, in consequence, maturely considered all the above Points, as well as the different Events which have happened during the Course of the present Negotiation, have, by mutual Consent, agreed on the following Articles, which shall serve as a Basis to the future Treaty of Peace. For which Purpose, His *Britannick* Majesty has named and authorised, *John* Duke and Earl of *Bedford*, Marquess of *Tavistock*, &c. Minister of State of the King of *Great Britain*, Lieutenant General of his Forces, Keeper of His Privy Seal, Knight of the most Noble Order of the Garter, and His *Britannick* Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary to His Most *Christian* Majesty; His Most *Christian* Majesty, *Cæsar Gabriel de Choiseul*, Duke of *Praslin*, Peer of *France*, Knight of the Most *Christian* King's Orders, Lieutenant General of His Forces, Councillor in all His Councils, and Minister and Secretary of State, of His Commands, and Finances; And His *Catholick* Majesty has likewise named and authorized, Don *Jerome Grimaldi*, Marquis de *Grimaldi*, Knight of the Most *Christian* King's Orders, Gentleman of the Bed-Chamber to His *Catholick* Majesty in Employment, and His Ambassador Extraordinary to His Most *Christian* Majesty; who, after having duely communicated to each other Their Full Powers in good Form, have agreed on the following Articles.

ARTICLE I. As soon as the Preliminaries shall be signed and ratified, sincere Friendship shall be re-established between His *Britannick* Majesty and His Most *Christian* Majesty, and between His said *Britannick* Majesty and His *Catholick* Majesty, Their Kingdoms, States, and Subjects, by Sea, and by Land, in all Parts of the World. Orders shall be sent to the Armies and Squadrons, as well as to the Subjects, of the Three Powers, to stop all Hostilities, and to live in the most perfect Union, forgetting what has passed, of which their Sovereigns give them the Order and Example; And, for the Execution of this Article, Sea Passes shall be given, on each Side, for the Ships, which shall be dispatched to carry the News of it to the respective Possessions of the Three Powers.

ARTICLE II. His Most *Christian* Majesty renounces all Pretensions, which He has heretofore formed, or might have formed, to *Nova Scotia*, or *Acadia*, in all its Parts, and guaranties the Whole of it, with all its Dependencies, to the King of *Great Britain*: Moreover, His Most *Christian* Majesty cedes, and guaranties to His said *Britannick* Majesty, in full Right, *Canada*, with all its Dependencies, as well as the Island of *Cape Breton*, and all the other Islands, in the Gulph, and River of St. *Laurence*, without Restriction, and without any Liberty to depart from this Cession and Guaranty, under any Pretence, or to trouble *Great Britain* in the Possessions above-mentioned. His *Britannick* Majesty, on His Side, agrees to grant to the Inhabitants of *Canada* the Liberty of the *Catholick* Religion: He will, in consequence, give the most exact and the most effectual Orders, that His new *Roman Catholick* Subjects may profess the Worship of their Religion, according to the Rites of the *Roman* Church, as far as the Laws of *Great Britain* permit. His *Britannick* Majesty further agrees, that the *French* Inhabitants, or others who would have been Subjects of the Most *Christian* King in *Canada*, may retire, in all Safety and Freedom, wherever they please; and may sell their Estates, provided it be to His *Britannick* Majesty's Subjects, and transport their Effects, as well as their Persons, without being restrained in their Emigration, under any Pretence whatsoever, except Debts, or Criminal Prosecutions: The Term limited for this Emigration, being fixed to the Space of Eighteen Months, to be computed from the Day of the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty.

ARTICLE III. The Subjects of *France* shall have the Liberty of Fishing and Drying, on a Part of the Coasts of the Island of *Newfoundland*, such as is specified in the XIIIth Article of the Treaty of *Utrecht*; which Article shall be confirmed and renewed by the approaching Definitive Treaty, (except what regards the Island of *Cape Breton*, as well as the other Islands in the Mouth and in the Gulph of St. *Laurence*:) And His *Britannick* Majesty consents to leave to the Most *Christian* King's Subjects the Liberty to fish in the Gulph of St. *Laurence*, on condition that the Subjects of *France* do not exercise the said Fishery, but at the Distance of Three Leagues from all the Coasts belonging to *Great Britain*, as well Those of the Continent, as Those of the Islands situated in the said Gulph of St. *Laurence*. And as to what relates to the Fishery out of the said Gulph, His Most *Christian* Majesty's Subjects shall not exercise the Fishery, but at the Distance of Fifteen Leagues from the Coasts of the Island of *Cape Breton*.

ARTICLE IV. The King of *Great Britain* cedes the Islands of St. *Peter* and of *Miquelon*, in full Right, to His Most *Christian* Majesty, to serve as a Shelter for the *French* Fishermen; And His said Majesty obliges himself, on his Royal Word, not to fortify the said Islands; to erect no Buildings there but merely for the Conveniency of the Fishery; and to keep there only a Guard of Fifty Men for the Police.

ARTICLE V. The Town and Port of *Dunkirk* shall be put into the State fixed by the last Treaty of *Aix la Chapelle*, and by former Treaties: The *Cunette* shall remain as it now is, provided that the *English* Engineers, named by His *Britannick* Majesty, and received at *Dunkirk* by Order of His Most *Christian* Majesty, verify, that this *Cunette* is only of Use for the Wholsomeness of the Air, and the Health of the Inhabitants.

ARTICLE VI. In order to re-establish Peace on the most solid and lasting Foundations, and to remove for ever every Subject of Dispute with regard to the Limits of the *British* and *French* Territories on the Continent of *America*; It is agreed, that, for the future, the Confines between the Dominions of His *Britannick* Majesty, and those of His Most *Christian* Majesty, in that Part of the World, shall be irrevocably fixed by a Line drawn along the Middle of the River *Mississippi*, from its Source, as far as the River *Iberville*, and from thence, by a Line drawn along the Middle of this River, and of the Lakes *Maurepas* and *Pontchartrain*, to the Sea; and to this Purpose, the Most *Christian* King cedes in full Right, and guaranties to His *Britannick* Majesty, the River and Port of *Mobile*, and every Thing that He possessed, or ought to have possessed, on the left Side of the River *Mississippi*, except the Town of *New Orleans*, and the Island in which it is situated, which shall remain to *France*; provided that the Navigation of the River *Mississippi* shall be equally free, as well to the Subjects of *Great Britain*, as to those of *France*, in its whole Breadth and Length, from its Source to the Sea, and that Part expressly, which is between the said Island of *New Orleans*, and the Right Bank of that River, as well as the Passage both in and out of its Mouth: It is further stipulated, that the Vessels belonging to the Subjects of either Nation, shall not be stopped, visited, or subjected to the Payment of any Duty whatsoever. The Stipulations, in Favour of the Inhabitants of *Canada*, inserted in the second Article, shall also take Place, with regard to the Inhabitants of the Countries ceded by this Article.

ARTICLE VII. The King of *Great Britain* shall restore to *France* the Islands of *Guadaloupe*, of *Marigalante*, of *Deseade*, of *Martinico*, and of *Belleisle*; and the Fortresses of these Islands shall be restored in the same Condition they were in, when they were conquered by the *British* Arms; provided that the Term of Eighteen Months, to be computed from the Day of the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty, shall be granted to His *Britannick* Majesty's Subjects, who may have settled in the said Islands, and other Places restored to *France* by the Definitive Treaty, to sell their Estates, recover their Debts, and to transport their Effects, as well as their Persons, without being restrained, on account of their Religion, or under any other Pretence whatsoever, except that of Debts, or of Criminal Prosecutions.

ARTICLE VIII. The Most *Christian* King cedes and guaranties to His *Britannick* Majesty, in full Right, the Islands of *Grenada*, and the *Grenadines*, with the same Stipulations in Favour of the Inhabitants of this Colony, as are inserted in the IIId Article for the Cession of *Canada*;

Canada: And the Partition of the Islands called Neutral, is agreed and fixed, so that those of St. *Vincent*, *Dominica*, and *Tabago*, shall remain in full Right to *England*, and that That of St. *Lucia* shall be delivered to *France*, to enjoy the same in like Manner in full Right: The two Crowns reciprocally guarantying to each other the Partition so stipulated.

ARTICLE IX. His *Britannick* Majesty shall restore to *France* the Island of *Gorée* in the Condition it was in when conquered: And His Most *Christian* Majesty cedes in full Right, and guaranties to the King of *Great Britain*, *Senegal*.

ARTICLE X. In the *East Indies*, *Great Britain* shall restore to *France* the several *Comptoirs*, which that Crown had, on the Coast of *Coromandel*, as well as on that of *Malabar*, and also in *Bengal*, at the Commencement of Hostilities between the two Companies in the Year 1749, in the Condition in which they now are, on Condition that His Most *Christian* Majesty renounces the Acquisitions which he has made on the Coast of *Coromandel*, since the said Commencement of Hostilities between the two Companies in the Year 1749.

His Most *Christian* Majesty, on His Side, shall restore, all that He shall have conquered from *Great Britain*, in the *East Indies*, during the present War; and He also engages not to erect any Fortifications, or to keep any Troops in *Bengal*.

ARTICLE XI. The Island of *Minorca* shall be restored to His *Britannick* Majesty, as well as Fort St. *Philip*, in the same Condition they were in, when they were conquered by the Arms of the Most *Christian* King; and with the Artillery that was there at the taking of the said Island, and of the said Fort.

ARTICLE XII. *France* shall restore all the Countries belonging to the Electorate of *Hanover*, to the Landgrave of *Hesse*, to the Duke of *Brunswick*, and to the Count of *La Lippe Buckebourg*, which are, or shall be occupied by the Arms of His Most *Christian* Majesty. The Fortresses of these different Countries shall be restored in the same Condition they were in, when they were conquered by the *French* Arms; And the Pieces of Artillery, which shall have been carried elsewhere, shall be replaced by the same Number, of the same Bore, Weight, and Metal: As to what regards Hostages exacted or given, during the War, to this Day, they shall be sent back without Ransom.

ARTICLE XIII. After the Ratification of the Preliminaries, *France* shall evacuate, as soon as it can be done, the Fortresses of *Cleve*, *Wezel*, and *Guelders*, and in general all the Countries belonging to the King of *Prussia*; and, at the same Time, the *British* and *French* Armies shall evacuate all the Countries which they occupy, or may then occupy, in *Westphalia*, *Lower Saxony*, on the *Lower Rhine*, the *Upper Rhine*, and in all the Empire; and each shall retire into the Dominions of Their respective Sovereigns; And Their *Britannick*, and Most *Christian* Majesties further engage, and promise, not to furnish any Succour, of any Kind, to their respective Allies, who shall continue engaged in the present War in *Germany*.

ARTICLE XIV. The Towns of *Ostend* and *Nieuport* shall be evacuated by His Most *Christian* Majesty's Troops, immediately after the Signature of the present Preliminaries.

ARTICLE XV. The Decision of the Prizes made on the *Spaniards* by the Subjects of *Great Britain*, in Time of Peace, shall be referred to the Courts of Justice of the Admiralty of *Great Britain*, conformably to the Rules established among all Nations, so that the Validity of the said Prizes, between the *British* and *Spanish* Nations, shall be decided and judged, according to the Law of Nations, and according to Treaties, in the Courts of Justice of the Nation, who shall have made the Capture.

ARTICLE XVI. His *Britannick* Majesty shall cause all the Fortifications to be demolished, which His Subjects shall have erected in the Bay of *Honduras*, and other Places of the Territory of *Spain* in that Part of the World, four Months after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty: And His *Catholick* Majesty shall not, for the future, suffer the Subjects of His *Britannick* Majesty, or Their Workmen, to be disturbed, or molested, under any Pretence whatsoever, in their Occupation of Cutting, Loading, and carrying away Logwood; and for this Purpose, they may build without Hindrance, and occupy without Interruption, the Houses, and Magazines, necessary for them, for their Families, and for their Effects; and His said *Catholick* Majesty assures to them, by this Article, the entire Enjoyment of what is above stipulated.

ARTICLE XVII. His *Catholick* Majesty desists from all Pretensions which he may have formed to the Right of Fishing about the Island of *Newfoundland*.

ARTICLE XVIII. The King of *Great Britain* shall restore to *Spain* all that He has conquered in the Island of *Cuba*, with the Fortress of the *Havana*; and that Fortress, as well as all the other Fortresses of the said Island, shall be restored in the same Condition they were in when they were conquered by his *Britannick* Majesty's Arms.

ARTICLE XIX. In consequence of the Restitution stipulated in the preceding Article, His *Catholick* Majesty cedes and guaranties, in full Right, to His *Britannick* Majesty, all that *Spain* possesses on the Continent of *North America*, to the East, or to the South East, of the River *Mississippi*. And His *Britannick* Majesty agrees to grant to the Inhabitants of this Country, above ceded, the Liberty of the *Catholick* Religion: He will, in consequence, give the most exact and the most effectual Orders, that His new *Roman Catholick* Subjects may profess the Worship of their Religion according to the Rites of the *Roman* Church, as far as the Laws of *Great Britain* permit. His *Britannick* Majesty farther agrees, that the *Spanish* Inhabitants, or others who would have been Subjects of the *Catholick* King in the said Countries, may retire, in all Safety and Freedom, wherever they please; and may sell their Estates, provided it be to His *Britannick* Majesty's Subjects, and transport their Effects, as well as their Persons, without being restrained in their Emigration, under any Pretence whatsoever, except Debts, or Criminal Prosecutions: The Term, limited for this Emigration, being fixed to the Space of Eighteen Months, to be computed from the Day of the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty. It is further stipulated, that His *Catholick* Majesty shall have Power to cause all the Effects, that belong to Him, either Artillery, or others, to be carried away.

ARTICLE XX. The King of *Portugal*, His *Britannick* Majesty's Ally, is expresly included in the present Preliminary Articles. And Their Most *Christian* and *Catholick* Majesties engage to re-establish the ancient Peace and Friendship between Them and His most *Faithful* Majesty: And They promise,

1*st*. That there shall be a total Cessation of Hostilities between the Crowns of *Spain* and *Portugal*, and between the *Spanish* and *French* Troops, on the one Side, and the *Portuguese* Troops, and Those of their Allies, on the other, immediately after the Ratification of these Preliminaries: And that there shall be a like Cessation of Hostilities between the respective Forces of the Most *Christian* and *Catholick* King, on the one Part, and those of the Most *Faithful* King, on the other, in all Parts of the World, as well by Sea as by Land; which Cessation shall be fixed on the same Epochs, and under the same Conditions, as That between *Great Britain*, *France*, and *Spain*, and shall continue till the Conclusion of the Definitive Treaty between *Great Britain*, *France*, *Spain*, and *Portugal*.

2*d*. That all His Most *Faithful* Majesty's Fortresses, and Countries, in *Europe*, which shall have been conquered by the *Spanish* and *French* Armies, shall be restored in the same Condition they were in when they were conquered: And that, with regard to the *Portuguese* Colonies in *America*, or elsewhere, if any Change shall have happened in them, all Things shall be put again on the same Footing they were before the present War. And the Most *Faithful* King shall be invited to accede to the present Preliminary Articles as soon as shall be possible.

ARTICLE XXI. All the Countries and Territories, which may have been conquered, in any Part of the World whatsoever, by the Arms of Their *Britannick* and Most *Faithful* Majesties, as well as by Those of Their Most *Christian* and *Catholick* Majesties, which are not included in the present Articles, either under the Title of Cessions, or under the Title of Restitutions, shall be restored without Difficulty, and without requiring Compensations.

ARTICLE XXII. As it is necessary to assign a fixed Epoch for the Restitutions, and the Evacuations, to be made by each of the High Contracting Parties, it is agreed, that the *British* and *French* Troops shall proceed, immediately after the Ratification of the Preliminaries, to the Evacuation of the Countries which they occupy in the Empire, or elsewhere, conformably to the XIIth and XIIIth Articles.

The Island of *Belleisle* shall be evacuated Six Weeks after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty, or sooner if it can be done.

Guadeloupe, *Desirade*, *Marigalante*, *Martinico*, and St. *Lucia*, Three Months after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty, or sooner if it can be done.

Great Britain shall likewise, at the End of Three Months after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty, or sooner if it can be done, enter into Possession of the River and of the Port of *Mobile*, and of all that is to form the Limits of the Territory of *Great Britain*, on the Side of the River *Mississippi*, as they are specified in the VIth Article.

The Island of *Gorée* shall be evacuated by *Great Britain*, Three Months after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty; And the Island of *Minorca* by *France*, at the same Epoch, or sooner if it can be done. And according to the Conditions of the IVth Article, *France* shall also enter into Possession of the Islands of St. *Peter*, and of *Miquelon*, at the End of Three Months.

The *Comptoirs* in the *East Indies* shall be restored Six Months after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty, or sooner if it can be done.

The Island of *Cuba*, with the Fortress of the *Havana*, shall be restored, Three Months after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty, or sooner if it can be done: And, at the same Time, *Great Britain* shall enter into Possession of the Country ceded by *Spain* according to the XIXth Article.

All the Fortresses, and Countries, of His Most *Faithful* Majesty, in *Europe*, shall be restored immediately after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty: And the *Portuguese* Colonies, which may have been conquered, shall be restored in the Space of Three Months in the *West Indies*, and of Six Months in the *East Indies*, after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty, or sooner if it can be done.

In consequence whereof, the necessary Orders shall be sent by each of the High Contracting Parties, with reciprocal Passports for the Ships which shall carry them, immediately after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty.

ARTICLE XXIII. All the Treaties, of what Nature soever, which existed, before the present War, as well between Their *Britannick* and Most *Christian* Majesties, as between Their *Britannick* and *Catholick* Majesties, as also between any of the above-named Powers and His Most *Faithful* Majesty, shall be, as they are in effect, renewed, and confirmed, in all their Points, which are not derogated from by the present Preliminary Articles, notwithstanding whatever may have been stipulated to the contrary by any of the High Contracting Parties. And all the said Parties declare, that They will not suffer any Privilege, Favour, or Indulgence, to subsist, contrary to the Treaties above confirmed.

ARTICLE XXIV. The Prisoners made respectively by the Arms of Their *Britannick*, Most *Christian*, *Catholick*, and Most *Faithful* Majesties, by Land, and by Sea, shall be restored reciprocally, and *bonâ fide*, after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty, without Ransom, paying the Debts they shall have contracted during their Captivity. And each Crown shall respectively pay the Advances which shall have been made for the Subsistance and Maintenance of their Prisoners, by the Sovereign of the Country where they shall have been detained, according to the Receipts and attested Accounts, and other authentick Titles which shall be furnished on each Side.

ARTICLE XXV. In order to prevent all Causes of Complaints, and Disputes, which may arise, on Account of Ships, Merchandizes, and other Effects, which may be taken by Sea, It is reciprocally agreed, that the Ships, Merchandizes, and Effects, which may be taken in the Channel, and in the North Seas, after the Space of Twelve Days, to be computed from the Ratification of the present Preliminary Articles, shall be reciprocally restored on each Side.

That the Term shall be Six Weeks for the Prizes taken, from the Channel, the *British* Seas, and the North Seas, as far as the *Canary* Islands inclusively, either in the Ocean, or in the *Mediterranean*.

Three Months, from the said *Canary* Islands as far as the Equinoctial Line, or Equator.

Lastly, Six Months, beyond the said Equinoctial Line, or Equator, and in all other Parts of the World, without any Exception, or other more particular Description of Time and Place.

ARTICLE XXVI. The Ratifications of the present Preliminary Articles shall be expedited in good and due Form, and exchanged in the Space of one Month, or sooner if it can be done, to be computed from the Day of the Signature of the present Articles.

In Witness whereof, We the under-written Ministers Plenipotentiary of His *Britannick* Majesty, of His Most *Christian* Majesty, and of His *Catholick* Majesty, in Virtue of Our respective Full Powers, have signed the present Preliminary Articles, and have caused the Seal of Our Arms to be put thereto.

Done at *Fontainebleau*, the Third Day of *November*, 1762.

BEDFORD, *C. P. S.* (*L. S.*)

CHOISEUL, Duc DE PRASLIN. (*L. S.*)

EL MARQ. DE GRIMALDI. (*L. S.*)

DECLARATION, signed at *Fontainebleau*, the 3d of *November*, 1762, by the *French* Plenipotentiary, relating to the XIIIth Article of the Preliminaries.

HIS Most *Christian* Majesty declares, that, in agreeing to the XIIIth Article of the Preliminaries, signed this Day, He does not mean to renounce the Right of acquitting His Debts to His Allies; and that the Remittance, which may be made on His Part, in order to acquit the Arrears that may be due on the Subsidies of preceding Years, are not to be considered as an Infraction of the said Article.

In Witness whereof, I, the under-written Minister Plenipotentiary of His Most *Christian* Majesty, have signed the present Declaration, and have caused the Seal of my Arms to be put thereto.

Done at *Fontainebleau*, the Third Day of *November*, 1762.

(*L. S.*) CHOISEUL, Duc DE PRASLIN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, October 16.

THERE has been a dangerous Sedition at Belgrade. The Bashaw, the Governor of the Town, a very just and sensible Man, seeing the People daily stript of their Money, under the most frivolous Pretences, by the sordid Greediness of some Janissaries (who carried their vexatious Tyranny to such a Pitch, as almost intirely to eradicate the Commerce of Servia) took the most sage Measures to put a Stop to their Roguery. Some Janissaries, getting Scent of his Design, immediately sounded the Tocsin, formed themselves in a Body, drew their Scimitars, and vowed Destruction on the Bashaw. They put in March with great Fury, followed by an immense Populace, towards the Palace of the respectable Governor; but that upright Man had foreseen all. Other Janissaries, in greater Number than the preceding, influenced either by Love, Duty, or Rewards, defeated the factious Party, of whom a Part has been strangled, and the rest cast into Prison, &c. This Conduct of the Bashaw has been so agreeable to the Sultan, that he has sent him a Present of a superb Mantle. The Ravages of the Plague are not yet ceased, either here or at Smyrna.

LONDON, *December 11.*

Yesterday there were very full Houses of both Lords and Commons, to consider of the Preliminary Articles of Peace agreed to between Great-Britain, France and Spain; when several eloquent Speeches were made on the Occasion.

The House of Peers sat on Thursday Night till after Ten o'Clock, and the House of Commons till near Twelve.

Yesterday the Right Hon. the House of Peers waited on His Majesty with their congratulatory Address, on his agreeing to the Preliminaries of Peace; and received a most gracious Answer.

And this Day the Hon. House of Commons waits on His Majesty at St. James's, with their Address on the same Occasion.

The Majority, with regard to the important Question, in a certain august Assembly, on Thursday, was 319 to 65; and in a Division Yesterday, 230 to 63.

We hear that a Body of 12,000 Land Forces will be kept on Foot in America, to consist of 15 Regiments of Regulars, at the Pay of Great-Britain, and 10 Regiments of Provincials, in the Pay of the Colonies.

It is also reported that 33 Regiments of Foot will be disbanded, and only 72 kept on Foot, and Col. Montgomery's, and Col. Fraser's Highlanders, substituted in the Room of the 3d and 4th Battalions of the Royal American Regiment; and that each Company of the Regiments kept standing, will be reduced to 50 Men, those of the Foot Guards to 35; and the Second Lieutenants put on Half Pay.

They have begun to discharge 10 Men out of each Company in the Three Regiments of Foot Guards, being the Men inlisted to serve Three Years, or while the War continued.

ANNAPOLIS, *February 24.*

By an Express Boat last Friday, his Excellency our Governor received from *Virginia*, the Preliminary Articles of Peace (of which the foregoing is a very exact Copy) Published by Authority, and brought in thither by one of his Majesty's Ships.

A few Days ago, as a Negro Fellow was Rowing in the Bow of a Boat in *Severn*, the Thole-Pin broke, and he fell overboard, and was Drowned.

(We are obliged to omit some Advertisements this Week.)

To be SOLD by the SUBSCRIBER, Administrator on the Estate of Mr. William Chapman, *late of* London-Town, *Merchant, Deceased, on Wednesday the 13th Day of* April *next, at the House of Mr.* Henry Gaither *in* Annapolis,

A CHOICE Parcel of Country Born SLAVES, consisting of MEN, WOMEN and CHILDREN; for Sterling Cash, or Good *London* Bills of Exchange. The Sale to begin at 11 o'Clock in the Afternoon. WILLIAM CHAPMAN.

To be SOLD at PUBLIC VENDUE on Monday the 9th Day of May next, pursuant to an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, *for enlarging the Town of* Alexandria,

FIFTY-EIGHT Lots, or Half Acres of Land. This Town is beautifully situated near the Falls of *Patowmack*, one of the finest Rivers in *North-America*: it affords good Navigation for the largest Ships in *Europe*, up to the Town, where there is an excellent Harbour. The Country back is very extensive, and the Soil capable of producing Tobacco, Corn, Wheat, Flax, Hemp, &c. in great Perfection.

It's equal Convenience for Transporting any Commodity to the Waters of the *Ohio*, is obvious to any one that will give themselves the Trouble of examining the Draughts of the Country.

To be SOLD, on Tuesday the 10th Day of April *next ensuing, at* Alexandria, *being Court-Day,*

TWO LOTS, or one Acre, in the said Town, known by the Name of the *Long Ordinary*, consisting of one Dwelling-house, about 30 Feet long, and 24 wide. Six Rooms below, all with Fire-places, and Six Rooms above; a good Cellar, Kitchen, Meat-House, &c. The whole well paled in, with a Garden distinct.

At the same Time is to be SOLD, One LOT, with a good new Brick House, about 36 Feet by 24; a good Cellar, Kitchen, and other Out-houses; the Lot is well paled in. They are both well accustomed Public Houses.

Any Person inclinable to purchase before the Time, may know the Terms, by applying to CHARLES and DALTON.

To be SOLD at PUBLIC SALE, to the HIGHEST BIDDER, on the First Tuesday in March *next, if Fair, or first Fair Day after, on the Premisses, for good Bills of Exchange, or Sterling Cash,*

TWO Valuable Tracts of LAND in One Plantation, lying in *Anne-Arundel* County, near the Head of *Severn* River, about five Miles from *Indian-Landing*, and fifteen from *Annapolis*; whereon is a good Stone Dwelling-House 40 Feet by 20, a large Cellar under it, a good Stone Kitchen 24 Feet by 18, Tobacco Houses, a Barn with a good Threshing Floor, a Corn House, Milk-House, Stable, and other Out-Houses very convenient, a new paled Garden 100 Feet square with Mulberry Posts, two large Apple Orchards of very good Fruit and bears yearly, a large young Peach Orchard, Quince Orchard, & almost all Sorts of Country Fruit, 20 odd Bushels of Wheat well sowed, 8 Bushels of Rye sowed, all in good Fence, another large Field well inclosed for Indian Corn, the best Part of it Flush'd up last Fall; the Plantation in fine Order for Farming. The two Tracts of Land contain 350 Acres, on which there is about 130 Acres of good Wood Land, well Timber'd. There will be several other Things to be Sold on the Day of Sale, such as Sheep, Hogs, Andirons, a good Cart well Iron'd, &c.

The Title and Terms may be known, by applying to FRANCIS DAVIS.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE, At the Plantation of the late John Elliot, *Deceased, in* Anne-Arundel *County, near* Queen-Anne *Town, on Monday the Seventh of* March, *at 10 o'Clock if Fair, or first Fair Day after, for Current Money, Bills of Exchange, or Sterling Cash,*

SUNDRY Likely Young Country-born SLAVES, Plantation Utensils, STOCK and HOUSHOLD FURNITURE. Also One Hundred ACRES of LAND called *Waterford*, lying on *Patuxent* River, in the same County. All Persons Indebted to the said Estate are desired to make speedy Payment, that the Debts due from the same may be adjusted as soon as possible.

RUTH ELLIOTT, *Administratrix.*
THOMAS ELLIOTT, *Administrator.*

George-Town, Frederick County, *Feb.* 7, 1763.

THE Subscriber Chuses to inform his Friends in and about *Marlborough, Piscataway, &c.* That he intends (GOD willing) to be down early in the Spring to Innoculate as usual, according to Promise: He has Innoculated Numbers with very good Success, and hopes to the Satisfaction of all that Employ'd him. He has Reason to suspect that low Insinuations have been propagated thro' a View of prejudicing his Character. Characters are very Delicate; therefore would advise a certain Gentleman to be more Cautious. I hate Snarling Currs. I always have and ever shall despise the Puppy in the Manger.

HENRY STEVENSON.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE, on Friday the first Day of April *next, near* Delaware-Bottom, *in* Anne-Arundel *County, on the Premises, (Pursuant to the Will of Mr.* John Oliver, *Deceased) for Cash, or good Security, if required,*

A VERY valuable Tract of LAND, situate and lying about 14 Miles from the Head of *Patapsco*, and two Miles from *Delaware-Bottom*, where the Deceased lately lived, containing 396 Acres (being three Plantations) whereon is a good Dwelling-House, Kitchen, Quarters, Barn, Tobacco-Houses, and other Out-Houses; likewise two good Orchards, one of which consists of upwards of 500 good Fruit Trees. There is a good Deal of Meadow Ground, within good Fencing, and much more may be made.

Also Horses, Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep, Plantation Utensils, and Variety of Houshold Goods, of all Sorts, *viz.* Good Feather Beds, Looking-Glasses, Chairs, *&c. &c.*

THOMAS OLIVER, *Executor.*

The Sale to begin at XI o'Clock, and continue from Day to Day, 'till all is Sold.

To be SOLD by the SUBSCRIBER at his Store in Annapolis, *very reasonably, for Cash,*

CHOICE *Barbados* SPIRITS, *Barbados, Antigua* and *New-England* RUM by the Hogshead or Gallon, a Quantity of best *New York* LOAF SUGAR, RAISINS by the Keg or Pound, fresh CHOCOLATE, GUNPOWDER and Small SHOT. NATHANIEL WATERS.

N. B. The Subscriber wants to purchase a Quantity of BEANS immediately. N. W.

To be SOLD at VENDUE at St. Leonard's-Creek-Town, *in* Calvert *County, on Friday the 25th of* February, *for good* London *Bills of Exchange, or Sterling Cash,*

ABOUT Three Hundred Pounds Cost of *European* and *India* GOODS. Credit will be given to the 20th of *August* next, without Interest, upon giving Security, if required. Invoice of said Goods may be seen at any Time before the Sale, by applying to ALEXANDER SOMERVELL.

Port Tobacco, January 31, 1763.

ANY Person qualified to take the Command of a large SEA SLOOP, and comes well recommended for his Sobriety, Industry, and Integrity, will meet with suitable Encouragement, by applying to JOHN HANSON, *junior.*

WANTED, a Young LAD as an Apprentice to Store-Keeping. Any one of a good Character, that would be willing to bind himself for three or four Years, may know the Terms by applying to the Printers hereof.

ANNAPOLIS, *February* 10, 1763.

LYING in *Hunger-River, Dorchester* County, and to be SOLD by the Subscriber, a SCHOONER which will carry about 26 or 2700 Bushels of GRAIN. She is well fitted, faithfully Built, and a prime Sailer, has made two Bay Trips only. For Terms, apply to SHADRACH FALLEN at the above-mentioned Place, or JOHN BENNETT.

GLAZ'D POWDER and SALT, to be SOLD by the Subscriber in *Annapolis.*

HENRY WARD.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE, on Thursday the 10th Day of March *next, at* Nunn, *for Sterling Cash, Bills of Exchange, or Currency,*

THE Plantation where Mr. *William Disney*, Deceased, lately lived, about 4 Miles from *London-Town*, on the Road to *Queen-Anne*, whereon are a good Dwelling-House, Out-Houses, Bake-House, and a good Water Grist-Mill, with Bolting Cloth, and every Thing compleat for a Merchant Mill: There are 4 or 5 Acres of Meadow Ground, and more may be made with little Trouble.

The Plantation contains about 70 or 80 Acres, and the Title is indisputable. FRANCIS HANCE.

N. B. The Sale to be on the Premises.

January 25, 1763.

ON the 30th of *December* last, a certain *Matthew Collins*, a thick well set Fellow, about 35 Years of Age, and a Native of *Ireland*, left in the Possession of *Benjamin Jacobs*, living at *Unicorn* Forge, in *Queen-Anne's* County, a Brown Mare, about seven or eight Years old, 14 Hands high, paces and trots, has neither Brand nor Ear mark, nor no particular natural Marks. From several concurring Circumstances, it is thought she is stolen.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

TO BE SOLD for Gold or Silver,

A TRACT of LAND call'd *Part of Jacob's Improv'd Purchace*, situate on *Curtis's* Creek, containing 280 Acres, well Timber'd with Pine for Plank, *&c.* about 5 Miles from *Baltimore-Town*. Water Carriage, and good Landing, very good Water, with about 40 Acres of clear'd Land, a Dwelling-House, and Out-Houses.

For Title and Terms apply to Mr. *Greenbury Dorsey*, junior, living near *Susquehanna*, or to Mr. *Richard Jacobs*, near the Premisses.

WILLIAM HENDERSON.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living at the *Vineyard* near *Annapolis*, on the 23d of *January* last, a Convict Servant Man named *Thomas Smith*, he is a *Welchman*, and speaks but very little *English*. His Apparel was a brown Surtout Coat, a Kersey Vest, and Cotton ditto, Cotton and brown Cloth Breeches, and a Pair of Boots.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and brings him home, shall receive TEN POUNDS Reward, beside what the Law allows, paid by

NATHAN LANE.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND called *Thurston's Neighbour*, lying on *Bynum's Branch*, near the Head of *Back* River, in *Baltimore* County, containing about 1000 Acres. Any Person desirous of purchasing the above Tract of Land, may, upon Application to Mr. *Robert Alexander*, of *Baltimore-Town*, be informed of the Title and Terms of Sale. Sterling, or Gold and Silver at the current Rates, will be taken in Payment, as may best suit the Purchaser.

Philadelphia, January 27, 1763.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

WHEREAS a certain *Charles Goldsmith*, a handsome young Man of about 5 Feet 9 Inches high, long light-colour'd Hair, commonly plaited; about 28 Years of Age; is remarkable for playing the *German Flute*, which he took with him; had a Cut across the Ball of his left Thumb, a little Pock-mark'd, is a Cabinet-maker by Trade: Had on when he went away, a new Coat and Jacket of superfine Cloth, a Pair of Buckskin Breeches, a Pair of Stone Knee-Buckles, a new Beaver Hat, a blue Surtout Coat with a Velvet Collar, a black Cravat, and rode away a small Bay Mare. He was last heard of, at one *Wagstaff's*, in *Baltimore, Maryland*.

N. B. As said *Goldsmith* has absented himself from his Bail, they are likely to suffer. Any Person that will arrest and take him, so as he may be brought to Justice, may depend on being paid the above Reward of *Twenty Dollars*, by the Subscriber or Subscribers hereof. He likely he will change his Name. As he is said he is bound for *Carolina*, all Masters of Vessels are desired not to take him off, at their Peril.

JAMES BENEZET.

ALL Persons who have open Accounts on the Books of Dr. *Gustavus Brown*, late of *Charles* County, are desired to Discharge their several Debts; and those who have Claims against the aforesaid's Estate, are desired to bring them in that they may be paid. It is expected that those who cannot make immediate Payment, will settle their respective Accounts by Note, Bill, or Bond, with Mr. *Charles Lewis* of *Charles* County, who is empowered to Settle and Collect the same.

RICHARD BROWN, *Executor.*

Piney Branch, Prince-George's County, *January* 10.

ALL Persons Indebted to the Subscriber, by Bond, Note, or Book Account, are desired to come and discharge the same immediately, or they may depend on being dealt with as the Law directs, without further Notice.

WILLIAM BERRY.

TO BE SOLD,

A CHOICE Parcel of Land, being Part of a Tract of Land, called *Hunting Quarter*, containing 348 Acres, lying in *Anne-Arundel* County, Two Miles from *Severndon's* new Forge, Ten Miles from *Elk Ridge* Landing, and 22 Miles from *Annapolis*; on which is a good Dwelling-House, and other Out-Houses, all in good Repair. For Title and Terms apply to

CHARLES GREENBURY RIDGELY.

To be SOLD at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Wednesday the 16th of March *next, at the House of Mr.* Arthur Charlton, *in* Frederick-Town, *Frederick County,*

THE following Tracts of LAND, late the Estate of Mr. *James Wardrop*, Deceased, all lying in *Frederick* County.

One Tract called *Partnership*, lying on the West Side of *Monocksy*, below the Upper Fork.

One Ditto called *Dear Bought*, lying on the Draughts of *Bath Run*, near the Head of a Spring at *Thomas Anderson's* old Place.

John's Delight, lying on a small Run called *Carry's Branch*, at the Foot of *Shannendore Mountain*, near *Carry's Gap*.

Piney Hill, lying about 8 Miles above the Mouth of *Conocochegue*, on the East Side of *Licks Run*, near *Potowmack River*.

Brentford, lying near *John George Arndt's* on the West Side of the Road leading from *Conocochegue* to *Frederick-Town*.

For Title, or Terms of Sale, apply to

JAMES DUCK.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living at *Annapolis*, on the 28th of *December* last, a Convict Servant Man, named *Richard Stevens*, a *Prussian* Born, and Taylor by Trade, Speaks broke *English*, and very quick. He is about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, naturally of a pale Complexion, but when he ran away, his Face was much bruised, and had black Eyes, occasioned by Fighting. He carried with him sundry very good Clothes, viz. a very good brown Broadcloth Coat and Waistcoat, trimmed with the same Colour, a violet blue Suit of Cloth, with divers other Things too tedious to mention.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and secures him so that his Master may have him again, shall have TEN POUNDS Reward, paid by

JOHN DUCKER.

To be SOLD by the SUBSCRIBER,

A TRACT of Land, called *Jarboe's Ramble*, containing 400 Acres, lying near the Head of *St. Mary's* River, in *St. Mary's* County. Any Person or Persons inclining to purchase the Whole, or any Part thereof, may be informed of the Terms by applying to RICHARD WILLIAMS.

N. B. The Payment will be agreeable to the Purchaser or Purchasers, may be made in Corn, Wheat, for one Third of their Purchase, the Remainder in Cash or Tobacco.

GOOD RUM to be SOLD at the New STILL-HOUSE in *Charles-Town*, and by *James Rurth* in *Annapolis*, at reasonable Rates.

PIG-IRON, to be SOLD by HANAN & HUGHES in *Baltimore-Town.*

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